

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

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~~Claims 1-10 (Cancelled)~~

11. (Currently Amended) A transmitter comprising:
a monitor that monitors an ongoing video transmission and provides an indication
when a characteristic is detected; and
a transmission device that transmits said video transmission together with said
indication, said video transmission and said indication to be transmitted for public distribution.

12. (Original) The transmitter of claim 11 wherein said transmission device is a cable
television transmitter.

13. (Original) The transmitter of claim 11 wherein said transmission device is a
satellite television transmitter.

14. (Original) The transmitter of claim 11 wherein said transmission device is a over
the air broadcast television transmitter.

15. (Original) The transmitter of claim 14 wherein said transmission device is a
transmitter that transmits said indication in the vertical blanking interval.

Claims 16-27 (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
transmitting a video transmission together with a coded command to begin
recording of the video transmission, said video transmission and said coded command for
widespread transmission.

29. (Previously Added) The method of claim 28 wherein said coded command is a
digital signal.

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30. (Currently Amended) An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a processor-based system to:

transmit a video transmission to more than one receiver; and

insert within said video transmission a command to begin recording the video transmission.

31. (Previously Added) The article of claim 30 further storing instructions that enable the system to automatically transmit a digital signal indicating that recording should begin.

32. (Previously Added) A method comprising:
monitoring an ongoing video transmission for a characteristic indicative of a replay; and
upon detecting said characteristic, automatically recording said video transmission.

33. (Previously Added) The method of claim 32 including monitoring for a transition from a live broadcast to a replay.

34. (Previously Added) The method of claim 32 including monitoring a closed captioned transmission accompanying said video transmission to determine the presence of a replay.

35. (Previously Added) The method of claim 32 including monitoring the vertical blanking interval.

36. (Previously Added) A video receiver comprising:
a first device to receive a video signal;
a second device coupled to said first device to detect a replay; and
a video recorder that automatically records said video signal in response to the detection of said replay.

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37. (Previously Added) The system of claim 36 wherein said second device detects information in a closed caption transmission accompanying said video transmission.

38. (Previously Added) The system of claim 37 wherein said second device monitors the vertical blanking interval for information about a replay.